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Report of the Credentials Committee

Addendum

Chairman: Mr. Piotr **Ogonowski** (Poland)

1. The Credentials Committee held its second meeting on 19 April 2002.

2. The Secretary made a statement supplementing the memorandum by the Secretariat dated 17 April 2002 and oral amendments made at the first meeting of the Committee, held on 18 April 2002 (see SPLOS/84), in order to include those credentials and communications received subsequent to the first meeting.

3. In addition to the States listed in paragraph 5 of SPLOS/84, formal credentials issued by the head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or by a person authorized by either of them had been received by the Secretariat for the representatives of the following five States participating in the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties: Belgium, Nigeria, Togo, Tonga and Vanuatu. Thus, 109 States parties have submitted formal credentials.

4. In addition to the States listed in paragraph 7 of SPLOS/84, information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties had been communicated by means of facsimile or in the form of letters or notes verbales from ministries, embassies, permanent missions to the United Nations or other government offices or authorities, or through local United Nations offices, by the following seven States participating in the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties: Bahrain, Guinea, Haiti, Mauritania, Saint Lucia, Somalia and Yemen. Thus, 26 States parties have submitted information concerning the appointment of representatives.

5. The Chairman proposed that the Committee accept the credentials of all the representatives as mentioned in the information provided by the Secretariat during the second meeting of the Credentials Committee, on the understanding that formal

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credentials of the representatives referred to in paragraph 4 would be communicated to the Secretariat as soon as possible. The following amended draft resolution was proposed by the Chairman for adoption by the Committee:

"*The Credentials Committee*,

"*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives to the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea referred to in paragraphs 1 to 3 of the memorandum by the Secretariat dated 17 April 2002, supplemented by the additional information provided by the Secretariat during the first and second meetings of the Credentials Committee,

"*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives concerned."

6. The draft resolution was adopted by the Committee without a vote.

7. Subsequently, the Chairman proposed that the Committee recommend to the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties the adoption of the draft resolution as contained in paragraph 12 of SPLOS/84. The proposal was adopted without a vote.

8. In the light of the foregoing, the present addendum to the report of the Credentials Committee is submitted to the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.